

Letter from Alexander Graham Bell to Alexander Melville Bell, June 25, 1879

Letter written by Alexander Graham Bell to his Father. Boston — June 25th, 1879. Dear Papa:

I find the following sentence in a letter I wrote to you on the 12th of February, 1876. “I thought you would like to see the specification that has cost me so many sleepless nights — so I forwarded you my only copy.”

On February 20th, 1876 I wrote to you as follows:—

“Telegraphed Gordon Brown — Toronto — and he replied that he had cabled his brother to secure my patents abroad instanter. Gordon Brown wanted specifications to apply for Canadian Patents.”

It is my recollection that I telegraphed you to forward the specification I had sent to you — to Gordon Brown — and that you wrote to me that you had done so.

It is probable that this was my original copy and it is important that we should find out where it is. I have written to Gordon Brown and we should like to know if you can help us with any recollections concerning this point.

With much love, Your affectionate son, Alec. Prof. A. M. Bell, Brantford.